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To: Ellen Wheatley

Here is a preliminary report of how we will be spending the CRRSA Funds.

Direct Child Care Funds:

We would like to expend some funds towards a newer playground and put the required space in between each unit and the swings so that it is still considered social distancing.

Also, add a small black top trail or oblong smooth surface for them to ride their tricycles. and play basketball on instead of the gravel driveway during play time.

Buy enough sand toys and trucks for them to each have one to themselves instead of them sharing or taking turns. That way it will minimize how many times it was used and we can sanitize each item at the end of the day.

Implementation of Virus Mitigation Policies and practices:

I would like to purchase some cold foggers with child safe solution, some walk through Sanitizer System with a motion activated pump. It also has a mat that collects the excess spray and provides extra attention to the bottom of footwear and is also portable so we can move it to the new facility we are trying to get built.

Install hand free faucets, hand soap dispensers and paper towel dispensers in every bathroom. Hand Sanitizers at every exit. Order more tables and have plexi-glass dividers.

Send home sanitation bundles every month with each child and provider consisting of hand sanitizer, disinfectant sprays, and wipes, Clorox, dish soap, laundry soap, paper towels, masks etc. Maybe purchase a new washer and dryer. Purchase portable walls to provide the required ratio in each area and purchase more hands-on toys to play with in each area.

Grants or Assistance to Stabilize Child Care Providers:

I would like to do some research and look into advertising for 4-5 people to get trained and start CDA classes, CPR and First Aid and cooks training so that when we do get the new facility or a provider becomes ill then we will have someone qualified to come replace the provider for the day.

We can also expand into classrooms and extend our enrollment capacity and take on more children and possibly extend our working hours. Hire a Bilingual Teacher to come to the center once or twice a week, depending on the grant money and teach the cultural ways to the children.

Assistance to Providers not Participating in the Subsidy System Prior to the Pandemic:

Pay the providers their regular wages while out of work during the pandemic. Look into paying them a bonus to take on some children in their own homes during the pandemic. Provide incentives for ongoing staff.

These are some ideas of what we will be looking forward to spending our CRRSA Funding on within the next couple years. I hope this meets your approval.

Take Care Be Safe and Stay Well.

Thank you,

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